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The Honorable David R. Obey Chairman, Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Peter J. Visclosky Chairman, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye Chairman, Committee on Appropriations U.S. Senate Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Byron L. Dorgan Chairman, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development Committee on Appropriations U.S. Senate Washington, DC 20510

Subject: Section 311 Notification of Pending Public Announcement of Selection of Applications for Negotiation of Financial Assistance Awards

Dear Chairmen Obey, Inouye, Visclosky, and Dorgan:

In accordance with Section 311 of P.L. 111-85, no earlier than three full business days from the date of this notification, the Department of Energy intends to announce publicly one or more selections for negotiation of financial assistance award(s) over \$1,000,000.

This information is market sensitive, predecisional and not public at this time. Accordingly, we request that you do not further disseminate this information. If you are considering disseminating this predecisional information, we respectfully request that you consult with the Department prior to making such a decision.

The action, in support of (insert the name of the DOE Office that this action supports), is as follows:

• (State the following: a short description of the financial assistance effort, and as available, identifying number(s), e.g. DE-FOA-xxxxx, the selectee name(s) with city and state, and include published estimated dollar value available for the award.) (If there are more than a few selectees to list, then the list can be an enclosure to the letter. For an Office of Science 10 CFR 605 award, edit the letter to show it is for financial assistance awards instead of selection of applicants.)

Staff from the Office of Budget, Office of the Chief Financial Officer will follow up with additional details as appropriate. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of External Coordination at 202-586-4180.

Sincerely,

Edward R. Simpson
Director
Office of Procurement and
Assistance Management

cc:

The Honorable Jerry Lewis Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Thad Cochran Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. Senate

The Honorable Rodney P. Frelinghuysen Ranking Member Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Robert F. Bennett Ranking Member Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development U.S. Senate